HOUSE RESOLUTION 251 By Miller L

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Crystal LaToya Thomas, state legislative intern.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is proud to honor and call attention to the outstanding contributions of those individuals who contribute their time, talent and resources to operations of Tennessee state government; and

WHEREAS, Crystal LaToya Thomas is one such person, the daughter of proud parents

J.C. Thomas and Celestine Barns Thomas, a very mature, intelligent and diligent person whose

professional demeanor has enhanced this institution of state government; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Memphis with a dual major in English and Political Science, Crystal serves on Hall Council, Black Scholars, the Black Student Association and the University of Memphis Marching Band Color Guard. She also teaches marching skills to children by serving as a Color Guard Drill instructor at Bartlett High School; and

WHEREAS, a very spiritual person devoted to her faith, she is an active member of Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the need to keep our youth drug free, Crystal does volunteer work for the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program; and

WHEREAS, a person of many talents, Crystal graduated from Bartlett High with honors, number five in her class. She was senior class president and captain of the color guard auxiliary unit; and

WHEREAS, Crystal served this General Assembly as an intern for Representative Larry Miller. Her duties included organizing Shelby County Delegation meetings, preparing committee materials, designing reports and documents, and performing various important constituent services; and

WHEREAS, interacting with state and local officials daily, Crystal worked closely with the following individuals and committees in addition to her regular duties: Representative Henri E. Brooks, the Tennessee Black Caucus, Tennessee Human Rights Commission, Title VI Implementation Plan Review Sub-Committee; Representative Ulysses Jones, Tennessee Black Caucus of State Legislators; and Mrs. Barbara Nance, Executive Director Tennessee General Assembly Office of Minority Affairs; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and thank Crystal LaToya Thomas for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Larry J. Miller, and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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